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that CIA does not
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*received from GAO
7/27/84*

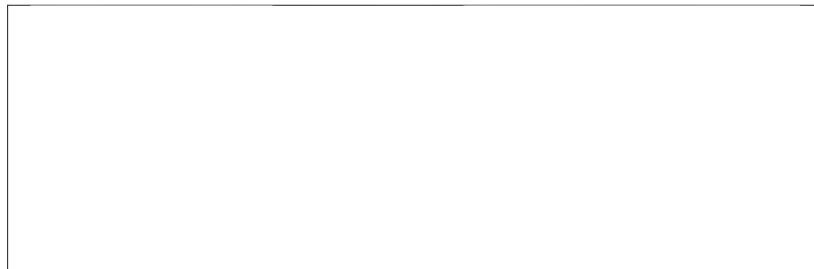
At the request of a number of congressional committees we are beginning a review of proposals by private firms to contract with the Commerce Department for the operation of a [redacted] system. The congressional STAT requestors are:

Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
House Committee on Science and Technology
House Committee on Government Operations

The objectives of this assignment are to determine the following:

1. Whether the contract proposals comply with policies established in legislation.
2. The impact a commercialization contract would have on federal budgets and the future development of the United States remote sensing system.
- * 3. How the contract proposals address international relations and national security concerns.

We would like to discuss the last item with CIA personnel. The GAO staff involved is familiar with our prior Landsat review which involved discussions with CIA staff and resulted in our report on "Implications of Commercializing Landsat and Weather Satellites" (GAO/C-RCED-84-1, February 1, 1984).



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*Sent to OGI
8/1/84*

*8/14 per MacMahon - will be out for 4 weeks - late September
Can't say "no" to GAO - political type of thing
Suggest - will meet - two led by Tucker not provided
details - will respond
Does GAO have specific proposals?
Part - tightly held - now may have in open
Commerce Dept.*

Degan. 275-4206

*8/15 - told Degan we don't have
contracts*